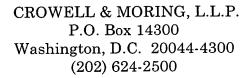
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Box PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Ref: 178B/50884

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation Application of pending PCT Application No. PCT/DE00/02512 filed on July 29, 2000 of:

Peter HEINRICH et al.

entitled:

FILTER MATERIAL FOR SEPARATING SOLID, PARTICULATE AND GASEOUS SUBSTANCES FROM FLUIDS

Enclosed are:

- Specification, including 12 claims (8 pages). 1.
- 1 Sheets of Formal drawings showing Fig. 1. 2.

- **Application Data Sheet** 3.
- Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on 4. Priority Document 199 36 743.4, filed in Federal Republic of Germany on August 6, 1999.
- Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending PCT Application 5. No. PCT/DE00/02512 filed on July 29, 2000.
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